

AMENDMENTS TO THE ABSTRACT:

Please amend the "Abstract of the Disclosure" as follows:

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A surgical table which includes a patient support surface for receiving a patient, a vertically-movable support column connected to and supporting the patient support surface, and a pair of four-bar linkages for laterally-tilting patient support surface relative to the support column. The support column includes a base that is mounted for vertical movement between a first position in which the surgical table is movable on rollers and a second position wherein the base contacts the floor to lock the position of the surgical table during a procedure. One and one or more trays [[may be]] pivotally connected to the patient support surface and selectively deployed to hold objects such as surgical instruments. Each tray has a first condition in which angular rotation of the tray about the axis of rotation is inhibited and a second condition in which the tray is rotatable angularly about the axis of rotation. In the first condition, the tray is capable of receiving and supporting the surgical instruments. This also permits a width reduction of the back section of the patient support surface.--